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"Islands, Castles & Portable Operations"
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15/04/2008: Michael, PA5M will be active starting April 15th from Uganda as 5X1DX. The main reason for his stay is his work for the UN World Food Program. Operations will be in spare time only, most likely during his local evenings or weekends. QSL via PA7FM. [WTDXA]

17/04/2008: Witek/SP9MRO and Marian/SP9CTT will be active as 6V7K and 6V7J (requested calls) from Senegal, April 17th to May 5th. They will operate CW, SSB, PSK31 and RTTY on 160-10 meters, with an emphasis on 160-30 meters. QSL 6V7K via SP9SX, QSL 6V7J via SP9CTT. [425 DX News]

17/04/2008: Jean Bernard, F4EOH will be active as EY8/F4EOH, on 20 meters SSB, from Dushanbe, Tajikistan, between April 17th and the end of August 2008. QSL direct (http://nomenclature.ref-union.org/) or according to other instructions. [F5NQL]

17/04/2008: Ray/K9DUR and Pam/KC9JMA will be homecall/p from Dauphin Island (NA-213, USi AL-002S, Mobile County), Alabama, from April 17-22nd. Look for activity on the usual island and IOTA frequencies. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [RSGB IOTA]

17/04/2008: In a combined effort, John/9M6XRO (ISWL 9M6-6982 - RNARS 0437) and Gerben/PG5M will be active from the lodge of Ambran V85SS in Brunei (OC-088). They will be active as follows: from April 17-23rd John, 9M6XRO using the call sign V8FRO; from April 18-21st Gerben, PG5M using the call sign V8FGM. Equipment will be JRC 245 and antennas are Mosley TA-53-M, a full wave dipole for top band as well as 2 verticals covering all bands including WARC. QSL cards for the operation by 9M6XRO will go via his manager M3SDE (note that his previous manager passed away (SK) just three weeks ago) and QSL's for the operation by PG5M to the home call. Further info and updates at: www.dx.to/ [PG5M]

17/04/2008: Masumi, JA3AVO (FIRST Far East member #15029) will be QRV from Cambodia as XU7AVO from April 17th to 21st. QSL via home call (QRZ.com) [K4UK]

18/04/2008: Halvard/LA7XK, Just/LA9DL and Erling/LA6VM will be active as 9M6/homecall from Layang Layang Island, Spratly Islands (AS-051), April 18-25th. Expect 9M6/LA6VM to concentrate on CW, while 9M6/LA7XK and 9M6/LA9DL will operate SSB, RTTY and BPSK. They will be their testing a new remote station. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [NG3K & 425 DX News]

18/04/2008: Operators BD7MB, BD1FJP, BG7KEB, BA7IN, BD7IXG, BD7OE, BG7LDM, BG7LVL, BG7KEH, BG7IOE, BG7IFJ, BG7IEF, BG7IJS, BG7IIC, BG7IEU, BD8GD and BG7LRJ will be QRV April 18-20th from Miaowan Island (AS-129) using the call sign BY7KP. They expect to work on 7, 14, 21 and 28 MHz using SSB, RTTY, PSK31 and SSTV. QSL direct (Zhuhai Amateur Radio Club Station, P.O.Box 08, Jintang, Zhuhai, Guangdong, 519080 CHINA) or bureau to BY7KP. Website: http://www.zhcq.net/ [RSGB IOTA]

18/04/2008: On April 18th, look for Pierre, F5JFU to be active as homecall/p, from the Cape Leucate Lighthouse (DPLF PB-147, ARLHS FRA-230, WW Loc. JN12MU) between 1000 to 1600 UTC on 80, 40 and 20 meter SSB. All the QSO will be confirmed automatically. If the weather is bad new attempts are scheduled on April 19th or 20th. [F5NQL]

18/04/2008: Yoshi, JE2EHP will be active from Guam Island (OC-026, USi GU-003S, also count for WLOTA LH-0064) as K1HP/KH2 between April 18th and 21st, using SSB and CW on all HF bands plus 6m. QSL via JE2EHP, bureau preferred. [JE2EHP]

18/04/2008: For World Amateur Radio Day (April 18th) KP4DJ will be active from Isla de Cabras (USi PR-012, Not IOTA, Cata?o county), Puerto Rico. They will be trying to qualify this island for the US Islands Award Program. Activity will be on the HF bands, using CW and SSB. QSL via WP4F. [USi]

18/04/2008: U.S.A., 6 Meter ROVER Trip by Al, WA4EWV. The following is a tentative schedule for 6 Meter operation as a "rover". April 18: Depart home for Ozark, AL - Grid:EM71; April 19: Head for Troy, AL - Grid:EM61; April 20: Head for Montgomery, AL - Grid:EM62; April 21: Head for Opelika, AL - Grid:EM72; April 22: Head for Chattanooga - Grid:EM74. Al will stay in Chattanooga until the 25th. April 25: Depart Chattanooga early for Macon, GA - Grid:EM82; April 26: Head for Tifton, GA - Grid:EM81; April 27: Head for Apalachicola, FL [area] - Grid:EL79 most likely stay 2 or 3 days. Depends on weather. Al will do his best to operate in the PM after arrival, then the AM before they leave. Some of the legs are quite short, so he will be able to operate longer. All operation will be on 6 meters using the TS-2000, TE Systems 0510G and the Diamond A502HB two element beam. QSL via his home call. [N8OFS]

19/04/2008: Look for Dov, 4Z4DX to be QRV in the Holyland Contest (April 19th, as 4Z4DX/p from Pesach-Passover, Mamshit, Isreal (Holyland Grid H26BS). QSL via home call. Details of his location can be found at www.mamshit.co.il/ [4Z4DX]

19/04/2008: Fran?ois/F5JNE along with Gerard/F6ICG will be active as F5JNE/p from the Tower Vauban (DFCF 58-091), in the City of Epiry (CP 58800), canton [county] of Corbigny (DDCF 58-06), Department Nievre/58 and Province of Burgundy (DPF 05). As usual, starting around 0600 UTC on 80m then 40m, CW and SSB. QSL via F5JNE, direct or by the bureau. SWL cards are welcome. [F5NQL]

19/04/2008: Freddy, F8CKS/p will be QRV April 19th from the Castle La Bourlie (DFCF 24-096), located in the commune of D'Urval (CP 24480), canton [county] of Buisson De Cadouin (DDCF 24-07), Department Dordogne/24 and Province of Aquitaine (DPF 02). Activity will be on 80 and 40m SSB. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [F8CKS]

19/04/2008: Jurgen, DJ2VO will be QRV April 19th to May 8th as FJ/DJ2VO from St. Barthelemey Island (NA-146, WLOTA LH-0377). Activity will be on 80-10m using IC706MK2G at 100W, 10 meter vertical antenna with 24 radials and smart tuner. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [NG3K]

19/04/2008: Members of the Barry Amateur Radio Society (GW4BRS) will activate from the isle of Guernsey (EU-114, LH-0013) using the special call GB0U on a number of bands and modes from April 19-25th. The team so far includes club members from Wales and Germany, Glyn/GW0ANA, Curtis/MW0USK, Markus/DL9RCF, Alois/DL8RBL and Franz/DJ9ZB. QSL route is direct via manager GW0ANA or RSGB bureau. [OPDX]

19/04/2008: Jean-Pierre, ON4LBI/p will be QRV April 19th from the Castle of Taravis?e (BCA NM-040, for the Belgium Casltes Award), located at Fosses-la-Ville. Planned activity will be on 80 and 40m SSB. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [ON4LBN]

19/04/2008: Look for Flemming, OZ5FM/p to be active April 19th from the lighthouse of Roesnaes (ARLHS DEN-034) and Asnaes (ARLHS DEN-121), both located on Sjaelland Island (EU-029, DIA SJ-001 for the Danish Islands Award). QRV only on 20 meter SSB. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. A specific time schedule will be updated a day before the activity at oz7aei.qrz.dk/ [F5NQL]

19/04/2008: Alex Barski/VE3KF, Igor Slakva/VE3ZF and Igor Mordik/VE3KAO will be active April 19-20th as VE3KF from Manitoulin Island (CIsA ON-001) during the Ontario QSO Party. QSL direct to VE3KF. [425 DX News]

20/04/2008: Kevan, 2E0WMG and Mark, M0MJH will be active from the Isle of Jersey (EU-013, LH-0818) as 2J0WMG and MJ0MJH, respectively, between April 20th and 26th. They also hope to activate Les Minquiers Reef (EU-099) during their trip. Note: If heard or worked, 2J0WMG is valid for the ISWL's Monitor Award. The QSL route will be via our home calls as on QRZ.com. [Pete's-DX-Newsdesk]

20/04/2008: Martin, G3ZAY (NU2L) and Dominic, M0BLF (W6/M0BLF) plan to be QRV from Santa Catalina (NA-066, USi CA-016S, Los Angeles County) from 2300 UTC April 20th to 2000 UTC April 21st, and from Santa Cruz (NA-144, USi CA-012S, WLOTA LH-0813, Santa Barbara County) from 2000 UTC April 22nd to 2200 UTC April 23rd, State of California. QSL via home calls. [425 DX News]

21/04/2008: Gavin, W9EYE will be going back to Pago Pago, Tutuila Island (OC-045), to do some missionary eye surgery from April 21-27, and hopes to be active as AH8/W9EYE in spare time. He will try to be QRV 80-10m, high power, as propagation allows, using SSB and hopefully RTTY. QSL via home call as instructed on QRZ.com for W9EYE. [NG3K]

21/04/2008: Saad, N5FF will be arriving in Damascus, Syria, the evening of April 20th and should be QRV as YK1BA again from April 21st to May 2nd, returning home to Texas on May 3rd. As usual, the purpose of the trip is not a DXpedition, so his operating will be spotty. However, Saad hopes to be able to operate at least 3 - 4 hours a day. With the current band conditions and his typical operating times, he suspects that he will spend most of his radio time on 30, 40, and 80 meters. However, Saad will operate on whatever band (10-80m) and mode that has the best propagation at the time. Most probable operating times are between 2000-2300 UTC or between 0200-0500 UTC and possibly some occasional activities between 1200-1400 UTC, using SSB, CW and RTTY. QSL via N5FF. [WTDXA]

22/04/2008: Helmut, DL1ECU/p and Rolf, DK1DN/p, will work with two stations from Hallig Langeness (EU-042, N-19 for the German Islands Award, WLOTA LH-1245) between April 22nd and May 3rd. Look for activity on all HF bands. QSLs via home calls. [DX Newsletter]

22/04/2008: Bob, N9QGU, will be active from the island of St. Martin (FS, NA-105, WLOTA LH-0383) for about two weeks starting April 22nd. He reports that he will be operational on 20-10 meter SSB, early mornings and late afternoon. Bob states, "Last year during a two week period in May, I made over 1000 contacts from St. Martin. I worked most of them on 17 meters. It had the best band conditions." [OPDX Bulletin]

23/04/2008: Glen, W5IF will be active from the Island Villa Contest Club (WP2Z), Windwood Estates, island of St. Croix (NA-106, WLOTA LH-2477) from April 23-30th. He will be QRV as KP2/W5IF, working all bands with special emphasis on WARC and RTTY. QSL via home call, LoTW and bureau. [NG3K]

24/04/2008: John, K9EL will be in French St. Martin Island (NA-105, WLOTA LH-0937) April 24th through May 4th on a family vacation and will operate as FS/K9EL whenever possible. He will be using an IC7000 and verticals for 10-80m, mainly CW and SSB. RTTY is possible as well. Please QSL to his home call, Bureau cards OK. [WTDXA]

24/04/2008: Members of the Ukrainian DXpeditioners Team (UDXT) have announced plans for a DXpedition to the Galapagos Islands (SA-004). Team members include Sergey/UX0HX (HC8/UX0HX), Max/UZ1HZ (HC8/UZ1HZ), Len/UR3HR (HC8/UR3HR) and Alex/UT5UY (HC8/UT5UY). Plans are for activity to be on 6 through 160 meters, using CW, SSB, PSK and RTTY from April 24th to 29th. They will be emphasizing the low bands as well as 12, 17 and 30 meters. Two stations will be used. The UXDT has a Web page at: www.dxer.com.ua/. This expedition is being made possible due to financial support of UX0HX and UZ1HZ. QSL via the operator's home call either direct or through the Ukrainian bureau. [50MHz Notebook]

24/04/2008: Noantri DX & Contest team members Andy/IZ0EHO (CW/SSB), Vincenzo/IZ0FKE (Digital/SSB), Alberto/IZ0FMA (Digital/SSB) and Claudio/IZ0GKX (Digital) will be active as IE9N from Ustica Island (EU-051, IIA PA-001, MIA MI-116, WLOTA LH-0848) between April 24th and May 1st. QRV on all HF bands, plus 6 meters, using all modes. Operators will focus their attention to low and WARC bands (especially 80 and 160m). Also a 50MHz beacon will be on air as IE9N/B. QSL via IZ0FKE, direct or bureau. [MMMonVHF]

24/04/2008: Lazaro/CO2WL, Gamboa/CO3VK, Jorge/CO3LF, Sandor/CO7SF, Josue/CO7RR and Gerardo/CO7GG will be active as T47C from Cayo Romano (NA-086), April 24-27th. They plan to operate CW (1830, 3505, 7010, 10110, 14020, 18070, 21010, 24895 and 28020 kHz), SSB (1850, 3720, 7050, 14200, 18145, 21250, 24940 and 28490 kHz) and RTTY (7035, 14080, 18100 and 21080). QSL direct to IZ8EBI (www.qslman.eu). [425 DX News]

24/04/2008: Franck, F4DTO along with his father Patrick, will be active from Elbassan, Central Albania, using the call sign ZA/F4DTO between April 24th and May 4th. QRV 20, 17m and emphasis on 10m SSB, with FT-100 into a 1/2 wave vertical on 10m and dipole on the other bands. QSL only direct (bureau cards are not delivered to Frank). See address on QRZ.com. Please enclose SAE + postage (1$ or 1 valid IRC for Europe, 2$ or 1 valid IRC for elsewhere). [F5NQL]

25/04/2008: Gerard, F2VX is going to the island of Martinique (NA-107, DIFO FM-001, WLOTA LH-1041) between, April 25th and May 8th. He will be QRV as FM/F2VX on all HF bands, using SSB. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [F5NQL]

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LOOKING AHEAD -

26/04/2008: On the occasion of Viry Radio 2008, Radio Club F5KEE/p will activate the Castle of l'Arbalete (DFCF 91-046) located in Department Essonne/91, Province of Ile-de-France (DPF 21) on April 26th. Look for activity mainly on 40 meter SSB. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [F5PRR]

27/04/2008: JA8MWU, Kazu will be stay in Katmandu, Nepal between April 27th and May 5th for his vacation. He hopes to operate in his free time as 9N7WU on SSB. Look him on 14180, 18120, 21280 and 28480 kHz. QSL via home call. [NG3K]

01/05/2008: Frank/DL2SWW and YL Gabi/DF9TM will be QRV May 1-6th as 5B/homecall from the island of Cyprus (AS-004, MIA MCI-002, WLOTA LH-0051). Activity will be on 80-10m, mainly CW and SSB. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [RSGB IOTA]

01/05/2008: The Lighthouse of Punta Piedras (ARLHS ARG-058, Grid GF14) will be on the air from May 1-4th on 80 and 40 meter SSB, by the operators of the Group Mistongo of DX of R.C. Tandil, namely Santos/LW7DAF, Jos? Antoine/LU4EHP and Anibal/LU3ES. This lighthouse was inaugurated in 1917; it has a 31 metre height. QSL via Radio Tandil LU2EE club, C. C. 184, 7000 Tandil, BA, Argentina. [F5NQL]

01/05/2008: Members of the The Nanaimo Amateur Radio Association (VE7NA) will air the special call sign VE7NARA from May 1-30th to celebrate the clubs 60th Anniversary. The Nanaimo Amateur Radio Association is made up of members of the community stretching from Courtenay to Duncan on Vancouver Island (NA-036, CIsA BC-001, also count for WLOTA LH-0858). QSL via VE7FCO. [RAC]

05/05/2008: Tom, W4JKC will be QRV May 5-10th as HP4/W4JKC from Colon Island (NA-088, Bocas Del Toro Province), Panama, on 40-10 meter CW and SSB. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [RSGB IOTA]

05/05/2008: Fred/SM7DAY and Jan/SM7NGH will be QRV May 5-12th from Oland Island (EU-037, WLOTA LH-0588) as SM7DAY/p. Look for activity on most HF bands, CW and SSB. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. Website: sm7day.ah.to/ [RSGB IOTA]

10/05/2008: JA4ZKI/4, JE4QIG/p will be active from No Island (AS-117, JIIA AS-117-106), JA4 Yamaguchi prefecture, on the HF bands May 10-11th. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [JI6KVR]

24/05/2008: Look for TF3CW to be QRV May 24-25 during the CQWW WPX CW Contest as a Single-Op/Single-Band (20m) entry. QSL via LX1NO. [NG3K]

24/05/2008: Look for Ron, VA3RVK to air special call sign VB3E during the CQ World Wide CW WPX Contest (May 24-25th). QSL via VA3RVK, direct (Ron Vander Kraats, 9 Jopling Avenue South, Islington, ON M9B 3P4, Canada) or via the VE3 QSL bureau. [RAC]

24/05/2008: Gilles, VE2TZT will be active as VC2M from Ile Bizard (QC-027 for the Canadian Islands Award), Quebec, during the CQ WPX CW Contest (May 24-25th). QSL via VE2TZT direct or bureau. [RAC]

31/05/2008: Ben, OZ6B will be QRV May 31st to June 7th as SV5/OZ6B from Ialyssos village on Rodos Island [aka Rhodes] (MIA MGD-028, WLOTA LH-0045), Dodecanese Islands (EU-001). He plans to focus on 20 meter SSB. QSL via home call. [NG3K]

01/06/2008: Maurice-Andre, VE3VIG will air special event call sign VC3C between June 1st and July 30th to celebrate the 400th anniversary of the Founding of Quebec City and the Champlain Trail. QSL via VE3VIG direct (Maurice-Andre Vigneault, PH2-400 Montfort Street, Ottawa, ON, K1L 8G6 Canada) or by the bureau. [RAC]

03/06/2008: John, VE6JDD, will air special event call VC6CTCU from June 3-8th to celebrate the anniversary of the arrival of the First Portuguese Immigrants to the City of Edmonton, Alberta. Activity will be on 14.195 to 14.205 MHz, as well as 7.155 (+/-). He will also try to cover CW on 14.020 MHz. QSL via VE6JDD (John S. Melo, 5236-157 Ave NW, Edmonton, Alberta T5Y 2X6, Canada). Contacts are asked to send a QSL card and an IRC to help offset the cost of printing and sending the Certificate which will be awarded. Further information can be found at: www.melo.ca/ [VE6JDD]

04/06/2008: Look for Gordon, G3USR to be QRV June 4-8th from the isle of Yell (EU-012, IOSA SH-03, SCOTIA SI-20), Shetland and Fair Isles, using the call sign GM3USR/p. Operating 100W SSB only on 40-6m. Locator will be IP90JM or nearby. 40m antenna will be a vertical or dipole, HF a 5 band Spiderbeam and 50Mhz a 3 element yagi. QSL via G3USR, direct preferred but bureau ok. [RSGB IOTA]

14/06/2008: Special call sign SX2MT (Makedonian Tombs), will be active in the International museums week end (June 21-22nd). They will also be active June 14-15th . Activity from the Museum of Vergina - Royal Tombs. Hellas-Greece. Operators include Kostas/SV2CWV, Diana/SV2HRV (DL2HRV), Archelaos/SV2KBB and Kostas/SV2LBB Kostas. Museum number I.M.W. #5178. EPC Nr. #3701 (WW Loc. KN10DL). QSL via SV2KBB, direct only or eQSL. [F5NQL]

08/07/2008: The 'DXciting' team will activate Christmas Island (OC-002) from July 8-20th. Operators mentioned are Marq/VK9XWW (CT1BWW), John/VK9XHZ (EA3GHZ), Henry/VK9XOR (EA5EOR) and Dina/VK9XME (EC5BME). They will operate with 3 stations (1 high-power and 2 barefoot at 100W) on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY, PSK31 and SSTV. Pilot sations: Africa - ZS1AU, Asia -JA8BMK, Europe - EA4TD, Ocenia - ZL2AL and VK2CZ, and North America - K4SV. QSL card goes via EA4URE direct or by the bureau. The official web site is at: www.dxciting.com/vk9x/ . The team is looking for help, contributions and SPONSORS to cover the big costs of this DX-pedition. [ZL2AL]

11/07/2008: A Greek ancient system of communication with fire from torches above mountaintops is called fryktories from fryktos that means "the torch" in Greek. On July 13th and after 3200 years we will be climbing up the same mountaintops with Turkish Hams and will transmit through the hamradio frequencies a message from Troy - located in N.W Turkey up to Mykines that is in Southern Greece using a special call on every mountaintop that the original message passed through. The same mountaintops are mentioned from Aeshylus in his drama "Agamemnon" and they are the ones that brought back to the Mikines city the message that Troy has fallen into the hands of the ancient siege army. The transmitted message will be passing along the nodes on the 2m band from one station to another. The special calls that will be used through this campaign will be: Turkey - Mountain Ida (Troy) to be announced; Greece - SX8FRA Lemnos Island; SX2FRB/A Athos mountain; SX8FRC Kandili Evia, SX1FRD Mesapio, Biotia; SX1FRE Kitheronas; SX1FRF Gerania; SX3FRG Arachneon, Peloponisos; and SX3FRH Mikines. Every Station will have at least 2m SSB/FM capability with yagi antennas. Before and after the event every station will be trying to make as many QSO's as possible with the special calls. Also that day we expect that many other hilltops will be activated in 2m band from other Greek and Foreign hams that will be joining this event. Nik, SV1EEX will be QRV from Kitheronas mountain with the call SX1FRE. Along with him will be SV1EOS, SV1JGX and SW1JGW.

GRID Loc: KM18OE. They will be active July 11-14th on 80-2m + 70 cm. Modes will be SSB/FM/SSTV/RTTY/PSK and will try MS + JT6M. Also will try FM LEO SATS. QSL will be via the bureau. Further information can be found at: sx1fre.blogspot.com/ [SV1EEX]

24/07/2008: Look for Lars, DF1LON to be QRV July 24-31st as CT3/DF1LON from Madeira Island (AF-014, DIP MA-001, WLOTA LH-0053), with an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 26-27th) included. QSL to home call, direct or bureau. [NG3K]

25/07/2008: Operators Hans-J?rg/DO3HJW, Andreas/DD8ZJ, Michael/DG5LAC, Petra/DB1LPS, Georg/DK7LX and Olaf/DL4HG will be active as DA0T/p from Neuwerk Island (EU-127, N-12 for the German Islands Award, WLOTA LH-2311) between July 25th and 27th, RSGB IOTA contest included. Activity will be on 10-80m, including WARC bands, using CW and SSB with 100W and two Stations, verticals and dipoles. QSL via the DARC bureau. [RSGB IOTA]

26/07/2008: GX8LED, will be active from Daventry Borough Hill, Marconi site from 0000-2400z Saturday, July 26th for International Marconi Day. Frst time from this location for IMD (www.gb4imd.org.uk/) by the Northampton Radio Club (G8LED) and Chris, M0DOL. QSL via M0DOL, direct or bureau. [F5NQL]

22/09/2008: The Sands Contest Group (M0SCG) will be operational as MS0SCG from the Isle of Jura (IOSA NH21, SCOTIA CS28), Inner Hebrides (EU-008), September 22-29th. The location will be Jura House on the edge of the island. They are working in collaboration with Workington ARS and will have a minimum of 10 operators. The group hopes to run 3-4 stations: 1 on 20 and/or 15m SSB, 1 on 17m DIGI/CW, 1-2 on 80/40/160m and 1 on 6m. Further information at: m0scg.blogspot.com/ [M0SCG]

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SPECIAL EVENTS -

01/04/2008: The FISTS CW Club's special call GX0IPX (FISTS #1) will be active during the month of April from the QTH of G3VVP located in Plymouth, England. For members working towards awards/participating in EU sponsored activities etc., the call is worth 5 points. (Exception the WARC activity where its worth 3 points). QSL via M0CDL. [M0BPT]

18/04/2008: World Ham Radio Day will be held on April 18th and the French IARU Society the REF-Union, and their Associated members will sponsor a lot of activities like traffic, Shows on the air, elmering and how to do and so on. Keep an ear on the bands. Announced stations that will be on the air are: F5REF (Ref-Union), F8UFT (French CW Society) and F8AFH (French Ham Society for disabled). [F5NQL]

18/04/2008: Special callsign TM2MP will be aired from April 18th to May 1st to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the birth of Max Planck, father of the quantum theory and Nobel Prize in physics (1918). QSL via F6KTN. [425 DX News]

18/04/2008: Tunisia will commemorate the International Ham Radio day between April 18 to 24th using the special call sign TS78WARD. QSL via tbe 3V8 bureau, and please no green stamps as they are strictly forbidden in Tunisia. [F5NQL]

20/04/2008: Special callsign OL76CAV will be aired April 20th from the Czech Republic to mark the 76th anniversary of the founding of

Ceskomoravsti Amateri Vysilaci (Czech-Moravian Transmitting Amateurs, www.c-a-v.com/). QSL via OK1UU. [425 DX News]

22/04/2008: TA1HZ and the "TC Special Wireless Activity Team" (tcswat.tripod.com/) will operate as TC57A from April 22-26th in remembrance of the role played by the 57th Infantry Regiment of the Turkish Fifth Army during the Dardanelles Campaign (Canakkale Savaslari) in 1915. Expect activity on 15, 17, 20 and 40 meters. QSL via TA1HZ. [425 DX News]

U.S.A. Special event station information can be found at: www.arrl.org/contests/spev.html

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SIX METERS & UP -

18/04-27/04 WA4EWV/Rover: Ozark, AL - Apalachicola, FL 6M Grids QSL H/C

06/05-15/05 P40ZB: Aruba 6m 24/7 50.125MHz USB100Wvert/dipole QSL K9WZB

10/05-20/05 GJ4ICD: Isle of Jersey 6M + Beacon Grid:IN89WF QSL G4ICD

21/05-28/05 VP5/K0OK: Providenciales Grid:FL31VS 100W into M2-7el at 30' QSL H/C

04/06-08/06 GM3USR/P: Yell EU-012 Grid:IP90JM 6m 100W USB 3el QSL H/C

VK9N, NORFOLK ISLAND. Word has it that Jim Smith, VK9NS, now has a couple of aerials set up for 6 meters. So if you need Norfolk Island, keep an ear out. [OPDX Bulletin]

P40ZB will be active in the April 50MHz Open Contest.
P40ZB will be active in the Motorola QSO Party April 19-20th.
P40ZB will be active in the Ontario QSO Party April 19-20th.
VP5/K0OK will be active in the May 50MHz Open Contest.

GOT6??? - 6M Information by Andy, N8OFS at: www.noars.net/got6/GOT6.txt

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LIGHTHOUSE CALENDAR -

16/04-24/04 P40ZB Aruba WLOTA:0033 QSL K9WZB (d)
18/04-20/04 F5JFUP: Cape Leucate DPLF:PB147 ARLHS:FRA-230 QSL Auto
18/04-21/04 K1HP/KH2: Guam Island WLOTA:0064 QSL JE2EHP (b)
19/04-08/05 FJ/DJ2VO: St Barthelemy WLOTA:0377 QSL H/C (d/b)
19/04-26/04 GB0U: Guernsey Island WLOTA:0013 QSL GW0ANA (d/b)
19/04 OZ5FM/P: Roesnaes ARLHS:DEN-034 20m/SSB QSL H/C (d/b)
19/04 OZ5FM/P: Asnaes ARLHS:DEN-121 20m/SSB QSL H/C (d/b)
21/04-25/04 MJ0MJH: Jersey Island (main) WLOTA:0818 QSL M0MJH (d/b)
22/04-03/05 DK1DN/P: Langeness WLOTA:1245 QSL H/C (d/b)
22/04-03/05 DL1ECU/P: Langeness WLOTA:1245 QSL H/C (d/b)
22/04-06/05 FS/N9QGU: St. Martin Island WLOTA:0383 QSL H/C (d/b)
22/04-23/04 N2UL/P: Santa Cruz Island WLOTA:0813 QSL H/C (d/b)
22/04-23/04 W6/M0BLF/P: Santa Cruz Island WLOTA:0813 QSL H/C (d/b)
23/04-30/04 KP2/W5IF: St Croix Island WLOTA:2477 QSL H/C (d/b/LoTW)
24/04-01/05 IE9N: Isola di Ustica WLOTA:0848 QSL IZ0FKE (d/b)
25/04-08/05 FM/F2VX: Martinique Island WLOTA:1041 QSL H/C (d/b)

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QSL NEWS -

NOTICE: The ARRL Sixth District QSL Bureau has moved. The new web location is www.QSLBureau.org/ . Please let your friends know, and

bookmark it the next time you visit. The old site now points to the new location. We hope you find the new web site a bit more user friendly. [NE6I]

Correction: ALL QSL cards for PS2T go to Irv, K3IRV and NOT to N3SL as originally posted. [WTDXA]

The following operations are approved for DXCC credit:
9UXEV - Burundi (2008 Operation)
5X1NH - Uganda (2007 Operation)
YK9G - Syria (2008 Operation)
S?5A - Western Sahara (2007 Operation)
HZ1PS - Saudi Arabia
73 es DX!
Bill Moore NC1L
DXCC Manager

QSLs received Bureau - ET3JA (via OK1AA).

QSLs received Direct - 3DA0WPX (via KR5DX), 4O/YT1HA, 5U2K (via I2YSB), 5U4R (via I2YSB), A61Q (via EA7FTR), CX3CCC (via CX2CCC), FO/OH1RX (via OH2PM), KH6FI and PW2M SA-071 (via AI4U).

QSLs received LoTW - 5D5A, 5F3COM, CN3A (2006, 2007), S21YV and TO5RZ.

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SILENT KEYS -

Guenter Schwarzbeck, DL1BU, sadly passed away at the age of 80 on April 2, 2008. He was an antenna specialist and shared his knowledge in many well-founded articles. [DX Newsletter]

Jack, KH6CC sadly passed away April 9, 2008. [KH7XS/K4XS]

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NORTH AMERICAN QRP CW CLUB -

No dues or membership fees - open to any licensed radio amateur or shortwave listener (SWL) worldwide.

Dedicated to QRP/QRPp operation, using strictly CW. Some club awards, challenges, and contests will place emphasis on using simple wire antennas.

Encouraging use of CW and helping all hams increase CW speed and proficiency is a top club priority.

For your FREE lifetime membership, please visit:
www.arm-tek.net/~yoel/index.html

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International Museums week end, 3rd week end of June, yearly event -

UNITED KINGDOM:
A lot of special call signs will be active from numerous British, Welsh, and Scotish musuems.
A list is available at:
http://www.ukradioamateur.co.uk/imw/page4.htm [F5NQL]

USA:
The Ann Arbor Hands-On Museum, in Ann Arbor, MI, will be on the air using its usual callsign WA2HOM. CW, PSK, on HF. QSL via KB6NU. [F5NQL]

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WORLD LIGHTHOUSE ON THE AIR - WLOTA
Press release
2008 Convention.
The WLOTA (World Light house On The Air) and AAR29 (Association des Amis de la Radio du 29), are hosting the 2008 WLOTA Convention which will be held in Brest West France between April 25-27.
Videos and films will be projected about:
- Mocha Island WLOTA 0684 , Chile, by CE6AMN
- Ouessant island , WLOTA 0208 by F0ELI, F4ELJ and F0ELK
- CHALAUROVA WLOTA 1982, ASIA, elected as the best WLOTA dxpedition 2005.
- CHILOE WLOTA 0750 , Chile, by CA6UTF
- Tenerife (Anaga lighthouse, which is very difficult to reach) WLOTA 1276, by EA8AY
Out the Convention, the well known Electrans ARC, F6KHM, will organize a visit of its facilities especially the EME one?s).
Some other visits to some Britons lighthouses could be scheduled too.
More information: _http://www.wlota.com_ (http://www.wlota.com/)
E-mail: _wlota@wlota.com_ (mailto:wlota@wlota.com) [F5NQL]

CLIPPERTON DX CLUB, 30th Convention -
This year the Poitou Charente region will host the Clipperton DX Club 30th Convention, near the European Picture Center the Futuroscope, in the city of Chasseneuil du Poitou.
Dates: Sept 2008, 19 and 20.
By the speakers, will be taught upon the past 2008 dxpeditions, J5C, VP8DX, TX5C, 9X0R, and many more by some of the hams who went there.
TM8CDX 2008: At the occasion TM8CDX will be activated, this year from September 6th to 20th. If possible a station will be installed at the site of the convention during Saturday. HF and may be 144, all modes, CW, SSB and digitals. QSL manager: Rafik F5CQ, either direct or via bureau. More information: http://www.cdxc.org/index-e.htm [F5NQL]
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73 and Good DX!
Dave Raycroft, VA3RJ
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The World Light House Diplom - TWLHD
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